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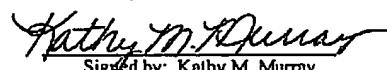
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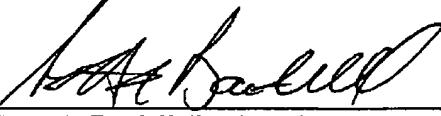
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<u>U.S. Serial No.</u>	<u>First Named Inventor</u>	<u>U.S. Patent No.</u>	<u>Issue Date</u>
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